



Continual Praise

When we think of worshipping our Lord and Savior, we think of coming to Gloria Dei to sing His praise, hear His Word and receive His Sacraments... and all of that is “worship” or “praise” to be sure. But today, we remember through the words of Psalm 34, that “praise” isn’t an event in our week...“praise” is our week...“praise” is in fact, our life! Paul reminds the Thessalonians to: “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, (and) give thanks in all circumstances.” Praise isn’t just an event for us... but because of our faith in Jesus, praise is our lifestyle. So, today we remember we live in “Continual Praise.”

Visiting today?

Welcome to worship! We are glad you're here.

If you have any questions, please stop by the Connection Center where a friendly person will assist you.

We have a wonderful nursery for infants-3 years olds. Please go through the “nursery” door in the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary.

We also have an educational time on Saturdays at 5:45 p.m. and Sundays at 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. for children ages 3-grade 5.

Want to Go Deeper into Psalms?

We will look at different Psalms throughout our summer weekend messages. We are also expanding this “Sitting with the Psalms” study by offering a five-part online study starting in July. Pastor Ben will look at Psalm 4, Psalm 16, Psalm 25, Psalm 46 and Psalm 63 during this online study. Study guides will be available in print or can be downloaded on the Web in July. Enjoy sitting with the Psalms!

Joppa Outreach

Sunday, July 29 from 12:30-4 p.m.

Consider joining us as we partner with Joppa to reach out to those who are shelterless in Des Moines. We will meet at Joppa Outreach, 118 SE 4th St., Des Moines, at 12:30 p.m. Register online at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Prayer Vigil

July 28 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Please join as we take time from our busy schedule to pray for each other, missionaries, our communities, upcoming events, world events, and much more. We will have 30-minute time slots available to pray during the day. Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

2019 Hong Kong VBS Mission Trip Fundraiser



It’s the sweetest thing happening this weekend. Members of the 2019 Hong Kong VBS mission team are eagerly offering their baked goods in the Family Life Center and the Gathering Area.

And it gets better! They are excited to tell the many stories of why they are going and how they plan to partner with a sister congregation in Hong Kong to reach out by offering VBS to hundreds of children. Your free-will donations will help defray the cost of the trip.

Please note: donations for the amount of bake sale items are not tax deductible. However, if you want to donate above and beyond the cost of a bake sale item, or just donate to the trip apart from the bake sale, these amounts can be included on your contribution statement. Please make those checks to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, with 2019 Hong Kong Mission Team in the memo line.



Let's pray!

Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in the pews. Please indicate your prayer request and place the card in the offering plate. We have both e-mail and phone prayer chains available. Contact Pastor Phillips at 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 321-1566 with your request.

Rick Buhrke

Shirley Voshell

Shannon Smuck

Tim McClelland

Jennifer Dehnert

Larry Lewis

Jessica Kramer

Heather Kusel

Mike Burdick

Sandy Foreman

Larry Kinsey

Sarah Smith

Cooper Driscoll

Taylor Peterson

Doug Jackson

Julie Bowie

Paula Spark

Our country

Our military

Summer outreach at Laurel Village

Our youth



MILITARY TRIBUTE CONCERT

Monday, August 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Military Tribute Concert Rehearsals

Monday, August 13, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Please join us on the Anne and Bill Riley Stage at the Iowa State Fair for the "Military Tribute Concert."

An adult choir, orchestra, and children's choir will be assembled from across the State of Iowa. Four or five optional rehearsals will be held on the Wednesday evenings and on Sunday afternoon, August 12 and Monday morning, August 13. For more information and to register, please go to MilitaryTributeConcert.org or e-mail Julie DenHerder at info@militarytributeconcert.org.

Children's Choir

Does your child like to sing? Registration is open, so please sign up. Children will rehearse as well as having snack and craft time.

Details of Children's Rehearsals: Optional rehearsals: Wednesdays (July 25, Aug. 1, 8) from 6-7:30 p.m. Dress rehearsals: Sunday, August 12 from 2 - 5 p.m.; Fellowship meal from 5-7 p.m.; and Monday, August 13 from 7:30-9:30 a.m. Register at www.militarytributeconcert.org/register or contact Julie Dueker at youngpatriots1776@gmail.com.

Veterans Outreach Program

The Military Tribute Concert committee invites you to help Veterans and/or their families by donating 900 hygiene items to be placed in towel caddies for the VA Hospital.

- After shave (no aerosol)
- Shampoo/body wash combo (13 oz or less)
- Deodorant
- Lotion (13 oz or less)
- Handkerchief

Please drop off items in the Gathering Area.

If interested in sewing towel caddies, contact Janna Amendt at 210-6328.



Sweet Lemonade & Iced Tea

Join us for a fun summertime night out!

Monday, July 30 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

Purse and Accessory Swap

Purses and accessories are needed for the swap! Donations will be accepted through the end of July. Extra purses and accessories will be donated to Dress for Success and Hope Ministries. **Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.**

Noah's Ark and Creation Museum

September 20-23, 2018

Registration deadline: July 20

The Senior Adult Ministry is planning a trip to Williamstown, Kentucky to see the life-sized Ark and the Creation Museum where the history of the Bible vividly comes to life. This bus tour organized by the Senior Adult Ministry through Leisure Tours, LLC, will start and end at Gloria Dei.

Information sheets about the pricing and the specific 4-day itinerary can be found at the Connection Center. For more specific questions, contact Leisure Tours, LLC at 223-1468.

Golf Outing

Thursday, Sept. 6 at 1 p.m.

The Gloria Dei Foundation invites you to participate in this event at the



Beaver Creek Golf Club, 11200 NW Towner Dr., Grimes. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Connection Center. Registration opens August 6 at GDLC.church.

2018 Back to School OUTREACH

Let's band together to give children some extra back-to-school resources to help students flourish during the school year.

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Chicago Bound: Pastor Robarge and family are working with some children in Chicago who need some extra help and encouragement by offering backpacks filled with school supplies.

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Laurel Village: We are partnering with the Des Moines Public Schools to help teachers serve children from Laurel Village and the vicinity by providing each classroom with an abundant supply of granola bars.



Check out the display for a complete list!

Post Card

Pastor Tim's Israel Travelogue
 Travel with Pastor Tim on a monthly tour through the Holy Land. If you missed a meeting, no problem, you can join the group at any time. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Tim at tim.phillips@gdlc.church.

Sunday, July 22, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Playdate @ the Park

Summer is here, so you know what that means? Time to bring your family to the park. Join us throughout the summer as we gather together for fun, fellowship, and food. We will provide the food, coffee, and treats.



Please register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

In order to make sure we have enough food, please register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Saturday, July 28 9:00-10:30	Lions Park 72nd & Aurora Ave., Urbandale, IA 50322
Saturday, Aug 11 9:00-10:30	Dewey Park 5225 NW 64th Pl., Johnston, IA 50131
Saturday, Aug 25 9:00-10:30	Pointe Vista Park 9612 Enfield Dr., Johnston, IA 50131

* Communion is in the Sanctuary the 1st and 3rd weekend and in the FLC the 2nd and 4th weekend.

We are glad that you are worshiping with us today. We encourage families to worship together before children are invited to Grace Place on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 9:50 a.m. and 11:20 a.m.

Children:

(Infant to age 3):
Nursery: Located on the lower level, the nursery is staffed during all worship services for children ages 3 and under at no cost to the parent. The nursery can be accessed through the door on the southwest side of the Connection Center.

Communion:

The Lord's Supper or Communion is a Biblical event, given by Jesus for the strengthening of our faith and the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26). God's Word is very clear that when we receive the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper we also literally/physically receive the actual body and blood of Jesus (1 Corinthians 10:16 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-30). If you are a baptized Christian who trusts in Christ's presence, recognizes your sinfulness, and desires not only to be forgiven of those sins, but also needs strength from Jesus to amend your daily life, then you are welcome to join us! If you do not believe Christ is present, or are unsure of what you believe and want further explanation, then please feel free to speak with one of our Pastors at a convenient time. (We provide both non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray and gluten-free wafers in containers.)

Great coffee with a greater cause

Support Honduras Mission

\$15 1lb. bag
On sale now.

Urbandale Food Pantry

Urbandale Food Pantry is requesting the following:

Item for July: Toilet Paper

Please drop the item(s) in the bins under the coat racks.

Thank you!

Outpouring of Love (July 8-14, 2018)	
General Fund Offerings	\$27,932
General Fund Offering Budget	\$19,400
1st QTD Offering Total	\$63,167
1st QTD Budget	\$48,800
YTD Offering Total	\$63,167
YTD Budget	\$48,800
Please note: Our fiscal year runs mid-year (July-June)	